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ATTORNEY GENERAL INSTALLS NEW USNCB DIRECTOR

WASHINGTON — Timothy A. Williams, a 23-year veteran of the U.S. Marshals Service, was sworn in today by the U.S. Attorney General, the Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr., to be the new director of INTERPOL – U.S. National Central Bureau (USNCB), a subcomponent under the U.S. Department of Justice.

In his brief remarks at the installation ceremony, Attorney General Holder praised Director Williams' experience and dedication.

“Director Williams’ experience, knowledge and dedication will greatly enhance the Department’s commitment to battling transnational organized crime through unique partnerships made possible by INTERPOL, under its visionary leader and my good friend Secretary General Ron Noble,” the Attorney General Holder said. “As my official representative to the INTERPOL Organization, Director Williams has established credibility among his peers in the international community. Further, he has undertaken several ambitious initiatives to propel INTERPOL Washington forward, promoting its relevance throughout more than 18,000 federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies,” he added.

Attorney General Holder also praised Director Williams as a leader and collaborator during the ceremony and recognized the U.S. Marshals for nominating someone of his caliber for the position.

Also present at today’s ceremony was Deputy Attorney General David W. Ogden, who attended the 78th INTERPOL General Assembly Session in Singapore, from Oct. 11-15 of this year.

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The Deputy Attorney General applauded Director Williams for his efforts to support law enforcement agents and officers in the field.

“I commend Tim for the collaborative environment he has created at INTERPOL Washington and for his efforts to put INTERPOL tools and resources at the disposal of thousands of U.S. investigators,” the Deputy Attorney General said. “I know Tim Williams will continue to nurture these partnerships, both in Washington and around the globe, in support of our nation’s enforcement priorities.”

Director Williams, a native of New Jersey, pledged resources and assistance to support the Department of Justice, along with participating agencies and international counterparts in the fight against transnational organized crime.

In addition, during the next three years Director Williams’ priorities will include:

- reducing transnational organized crime by strengthening global partnerships;
- protecting U.S. citizens, institutions and communities by improving and expanding on coordination and partnerships with federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies;
- leveraging existing technology and pursuing new enterprise solutions to enable INTERPOL Washington to fulfill its role and mission;
- fostering collaboration and information-sharing with other federal law enforcement agencies to bolster the nation’s efforts to fight global terrorism;
- training and strengthening INTERPOL Washington’s workforce so they can be better leaders for tomorrow’s government; and
- providing accountability to other federal agencies and the American taxpayer

Director Williams began his career with the U.S. Marshals in 1986 and served in a variety of challenging positions including as Chief of the Technical Operations Group, Commander of the New York / New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force and as an inspector with the Special Operations Group – where he was selected to help establish the U.S. Marshals field office in Jamaica.

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The U.S. National Central Bureau (USNCB), a component of the U.S. Department of Justice, serves as the United States representative to the International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol). The USNCB is the central point of contact for all Interpol matters in the U.S., including secure communications with police authorities throughout Interpol’s 188-member countries. Also, all member countries have access to Interpol’s cutting-edge databases containing information on wanted persons, terrorists, missing persons, stolen and lost passports and travel documents, stolen vehicles, and other law enforcement information. Furthermore, the USNCB coordinates and transmits requests—daily—for criminal investigative and humanitarian assistance between federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities, including their foreign counterparts.